

**THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE AND IRRIGATION (SHRI SURJIT SINGH BARNALA):** (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The estimates of gram production during the current Rabi season are likely to become available after the close of the Agricultural year i.e. sometimes in July-August, 1978. Therefore, it is not possible to give details of Statewise increase in output of gram at this stage. However, production of gram this year is likely to show an increase over that in 1976-77

#### Strike by Law Students of Delhi University

2503. **SHRI AMAR ROY PRADHAN** Will the Minister of EDUCATION, SOCIAL WELFARE AND CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether law students of Delhi University were on strike during the month of February, 1978, and

(b) if so, the details in this regard and the Government's reaction to their demands?

**THE MINISTER OF EDUCATION, SOCIAL WELFARE AND CULTURE (DR. PRATAP CHANDRA CHUNDER):**

(a) and (b) According to the information furnished by the University of

Delhi, a small group of Law students were on relay Hunger strike for a period of four days in the month of February, 1978 to press their demand that a special meeting of the Academic Council be called or the Vice-Chancellor should exercise his emergency powers to take an immediate decision on the recommendation of the Committee of Courses and the Faculty of Law for reintroduction of supplementary examinations in Law Courses. The proposal was approved by the Academic Council at its meeting on the 28th February, 1978.

#### Area under Cultivation in Ladakh

2504 **SHRIMATI PARVATI DEVI** Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND IRRIGATION be pleased to state the total area under cultivation in Ladakh, and the steps Government propose to enlarge this area and cover it under agriculture?

**THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE AND IRRIGATION (SHRI SURJIT SINGH BARNALA)** Information (the area under cultivation in Ladakh district of Jammu & Kashmir for the two years 1974-75 and 1975-76 (latest available) is given below

	(Thousand Hectares)	
	1974-75	1975-76
(i) Net area sown	17.3	17.3
(ii) Area sown more than once	1.4	1.2
(iii) Current fallow	0.5	0.5
(iv) Gross cropped area (i) + (ii)	18.7	18.5
(v) Cultivated area (i) + (iii)	17.8	17.8